UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO BEFORE HONORABLE DANIEL R. DOMINGUEZ

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

CIVIL NO. 97-2052 (DRD)

LAW CLERK: Ronald D. Swanson-Cerna, Esq.

DATE: August 13, 2002

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TWIN COUNTY GROCERS, INC.

Plaintiff,

Attorney:

Carlos RIVERA VICENTE, Esq.

Maritza GOMEZ FERNANDEZ, Esq.

v.

MENDEZ & CO., INC., et al.,

Defendants.

Ricardo CASELLAS, Esq. Jorge I. PEIRATS, Esq.

A STATUS CONFERENCE was held today. The parties advised the Court as to the status of the case. The Court ordered the following:

- 1) The parties informed the Court they are finalizing settlement discussions, and there is a real chance that this case would settle. Accordingly, the parties have until September 24, 2002, to complete ongoing settlement discussions.
- 2) A further Status Conference is hereby scheduled for **September 24, 2002, at 5:30 PM**. If no settlement is reached by this conference, the parties are forewarned to be ready for a Pre-Trial Conference to be set, and trial to commence in mid-October.
- The Court notes that the Court may have lost jurisdiction pursuant to the case of <u>Owen Equipment & Erection Co. v. Kroger</u>, 437 U.S. 365, 985 S.Ct. 2396, 57 L.Ed.2d 274 (1978); <u>CFSC Consortium</u>, <u>LLC v. Ferreras-Goitia</u>, 198 F.Supp.2d 116 (D.P.R. 2002).

s/c: Counsel of record

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DANIEL R. DOMINGUEZ

DISTRICT JUDGE

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